



The Department of Water Resources is pleased to announce a special meeting to obtain public input on the shared use of recreational trails in the Lake Oroville State Recreation Area (LOSRA) by bicyclists, equestrians, and hikers. The meeting is scheduled for:

**February 10, 2003
6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
The State Theater
1489 Myer Street
Oroville, California**

Shared use of LOSRA's recreational trails was implemented on March 1, 2002, by the Department of Parks and Recreation (DPR), which under the State's Davis-Dolwig Act has the authority to establish and enforce standards for the development, operation, and maintenance of public recreational facilities associated with the State Water Project, of which Lake Oroville is a component. Shared use is one of several goals of DPR's California Recreational Trails Plan, a draft of which was released for public review in 2001 and which was finalized in 2002 after consideration of all comments received.

Lake Oroville is also a component of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Project No. 2100, the Department of Water Resources being the licensee. FERC encourages and often requires its licensees to provide public recreational opportunities at project sites provided that such recreational opportunities and facilities are compatible with water and power operations.

The purpose of the February 10, 2003, meeting is to obtain public input on a proposal to manage Project 2100 recreational trails with consideration of local needs, regional needs, and DPR's California Recreational Trails Plan and to gather data relevant to the shared use of trails in LOSRA.

If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like to provide written comments on this issue, please submit them no later than 5:00 p.m., March 3, 2003, by mail or facsimile transmittal to:

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